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S 1042 General Bill, By Knotts, Grooms, Hayes, Cromer, Thomas, Ford, Campbell, McGill and Setzler

Summary: Volunteers

A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 8-25-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF TERMS REGARDING PROVISIONS CONCERNING GOVERNMENT VOLUNTEERS, SO AS TO DEFINE "EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEER"; TO AMEND SECTION 8-25-20, RELATING TO THE USE OF VOLUNTEERS BY STATE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE CATEGORY OF EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS IN THE TYPES OF VOLUNTEERS STATE AGENCIES CAN USE; TO AMEND SECTION 8-25-40, RELATING TO BENEFITS PROVIDED TO VOLUNTEERS, INCLUDING MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT, MEAL ALLOWANCE, AND LIABILITY INSURANCE, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE STATE AGENCIES TO PROVIDE WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS AND TO AUTHORIZE EACH AGENCY TO DESIGNATE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WILL TRIGGER WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE; TO AMEND SECTION 42-1-130, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYEE" IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW, SO AS TO ALSO INCLUDE EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS IN THE DEFINITION OF THIS TERM; TO AMEND SECTION 42-7-65, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE FOR CERTAIN CATEGORIES OF EMPLOYEES, SO AS TO INCLUDE A CATEGORY FOR EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS AND TO DESIGNATE THEIR AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE AS THIRTY-SEVEN AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE IN THE STATE FROM THE PRECEDING YEAR; AND TO AMEND SECTION 42-7-75, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENT THAT ALL STATE AGENCIES PAY WORKERS' COMPENSATION PREMIUMS, SO AS TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR CALCULATION OF PREMIUMS FOR AGENCIES THAT UTILIZE EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION VOLUNTEERS.

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